

MOTACILLA CALLIOPE.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum subulatum, rectum: mandibulis subæquilibus.

Nares ovatæ.

Lingua lacero-emarginata.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 328.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

MOTACILLA fusco-ferruginea, subtus pallidior, gula rubra nigro marginata.

TURDUS CALLIOPE.

Lath. ind. orn. p. 331.

TURDUS KAMTSCHATKENSIS.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 817.

MOTACILLA CALLIOPE.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 977.

In frigidis Siberiæ regionibus innata Motacilla Calliope, more lusciniæ Europeæ, noctu præcipue cantare dicitur, aliis omnibus avibus quæ plagam istam iminitem incolunt ob vocis suavitatem merito

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prælata. Carminibus etiam dulcissimis accedit non mediocris colorum elegantia : quorum primarius blande est et molliter ferrugineo-fuscus, gutture ruberrimo margine nigerrima circumdato. Circa ripas fluminis Jenisæ præcipue dicitur abundare Motacilla Calliope.



THE
RUBY-THROATED WARBLER.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill subulate (or awl-shaped); strait; the mandibles nearly equal.

Nostrils nearly oval.

Tongue jagged, or lacerated towards the tip.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

FERRUGINOUS-BROWN WARBLER, paler beneath, with red throat bordered by black.

KAMTSCHATKA THRUSH.

Lath. Syn. 2. p. 28.

RUBY-THROAT WARBLER.

Lath. Syn. 2. p. 463.

The Motacilla Calliope or Ruby-throated Warbler is a native of the frozen regions of Siberia, and like the nightingale of Europe, is said to sing principally during the night. It is considered as the most musical bird of that inclement country, and to the sweetnes of its song is superadded no incon-

inconsiderable degree of beauty of colour: the prevailing tinge being a very fine soft ferruginous brown, while the vivid red on the throat is bounded by a border of the deepest black. It is said to be particularly plentiful about the banks of the river Jenisei.